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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

On January 14, 2000, the above-identified patent application was filed in the name of three inventors. The three named inventors were Bruce A. Fogelson, Joel M. Fogelson and Cary Pearlman.

2000 File Missing On March 24, a Notice to Parts Nonprovisional Application was issued requesting a signed declaration from the inventors. Upon investigating the circumstances surrounding the invention, it was determined that the list of inventors was in error and that there was, in fact, only one true inventor, Bruce A. Fogelson.

On May 15, 2000 a Response (copy enclosed) to the Notice to File Missing Parts was filed with the U.S. Patent Office. contained the signature of the only true inventor, Bruce A. Fogelson.

On June 19, 2000 a Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) was issued stating that the signatures of Joel M. Fogelson and Cary Pearlman were missing from the oath or declaration. However, 37 CFR §1.48 (f)(1) clearly states that:

"If the correct inventors are not named on filing a nonprovisional application under §1.53(b) without an executed oath or declaration under §1.63, the later submission of an executed oath or declaration under §1.63 during the pendency of the application will act to correct the earlier identification of inventorship".

Since the signed declaration of May 15, 2000 was signed by the only true inventor, the Notice of Incomplete Reply is believed to be in error and should be withdrawn.

The Declaration filed on May 15, 2000 is believed to be in order and withdrawal of the Notice of Incomplete Reply is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application, he is respectfully requested to telephone applicant's undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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